ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS REGARDING RFP # 1606VF: MANDATED KINSHIP PREVENTIVE SERVICES

Questions submitted via e-mail and in person at the Bidder's Conference on April 5, 2016

QUESTION		ANSWER
1.	Are we required to stick to the 1440 minimum hours per FTE standard? Can we use a lower number to accommodate ongoing staff training and development time?	You may use a lower number.
2.	The budget forms have the years 2015 and 2016 on them. Can you send an updated budget form?	Updated form sent to inquirer. It was discussed at the bidder's conference that the years on the form can just be changed to 2016/2017.
3.	The budget forms now state that any discrepancy of \$1,000 on a line item in the budget vs. billed costs must be explained and preapproved by ECDSS prior to the overage. It used to be 10%. Will agencies need to pay any overage back?	That \$1,000 rule still applies. You will not have to pay money back, but you may not be paid for the overage until it is approved by ECDSS.
4.	Will there be a new, standardized outcome measurement tool? Now, each agency uses their own (CANS, North Carolina, etc.)	Yes. It is anticipated that CANS will be the preferred outcome measurement tool in 2017.